

Math 504

**AREA BETWEEN TWO CURVES**

Here is the graph of  $f(x) = \sin(x)$  and  $g(x) = \cos(x)$

$\sin x = \cos x$

$\tan x = 1$

$x = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$-\frac{3\pi}{4}$

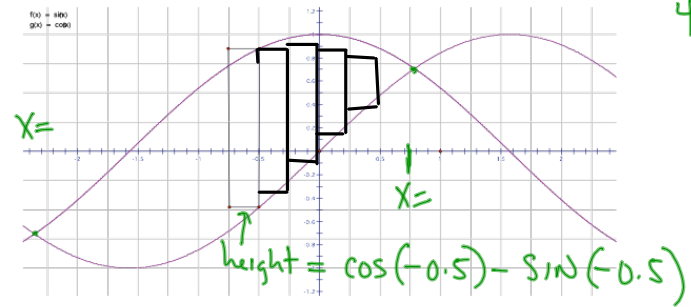
- 1) Find the x coordinates of the two intersection points.
- 2) For the region bounded by the two curves, draw "right hand" rectangles that approximate the area between the two curves. Make the ones that are not at the "ends" have a width of 0.25 (I have drawn the one that goes from -0.75 to -0.5 for you).

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Do Now:

Complete the Area Between Two Curves worksheet.

Try not to worry about having perfect rectangles. Just sketch them as well as you can.



- 3. How do you calculate the heights of each of the rectangles?

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## APPLICATIONS OF INTEGRATION

We will use the same strategy to learn how to use definite integrals to calculate quantities other than areas under a curve:

- 1) Divide our interval up into subintervals.
- 2) On each subinterval, approximate the quantity.\*\*
- 3) Create a sum which is a Riemann sum for a continuous function on our interval.
- 4) As we let the subintervals go to zero, our Riemann sum approaches a limiting integral.

\*\* We need to make sure that this approximation is "good enough."

How does this work for Area Between Two Curves:

Our Riemann sum is  $\sum_{k=1}^n (f(x_k) - g(x_k)) \Delta x_k$

In the limit, this becomes  $\int_{x=a}^{x=b} (f(x) - g(x)) dx$

So, the area between  $f(x) = \sin x$  and  $g(x) = \cos x$  that we are looking for is given by:

and the value is:  $\int_{x=-3\pi/4}^{\pi/4} (\cos x - \sin x) dx =$

This applet lets us look at what we've done.

<http://www.calculusapplets.com/area.html>

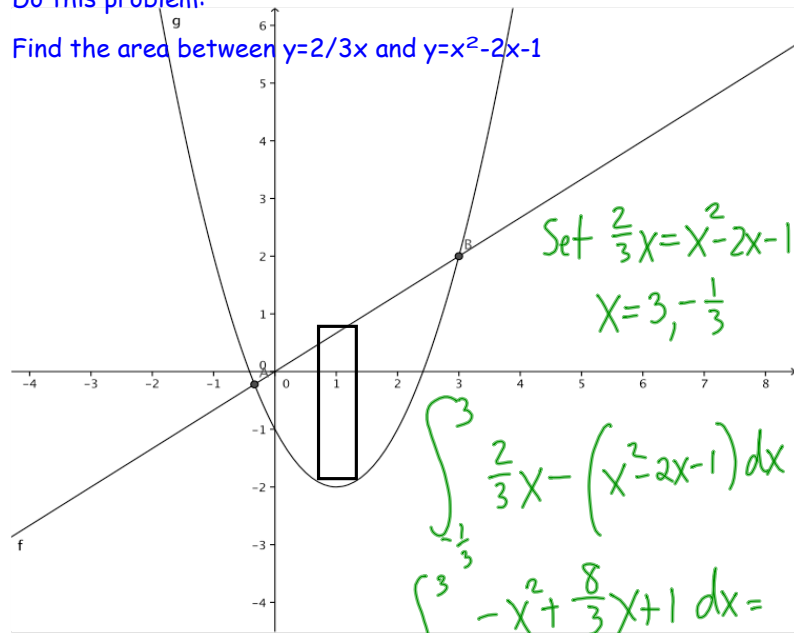
$$\int_{-3\pi/4}^{\pi/4} (\sin x + \cos x) dx =$$

$$\left( \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right) - \left( \sin\left(-\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) + \cos\left(-\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) \right)$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) = 2\sqrt{2}$$

Do this problem:

Find the area between  $y=2/3x$  and  $y=x^2-2x-1$



$$\int_{-\frac{1}{3}}^3 -x^2 + \frac{8}{3}x + 1 dx =$$

$$\left[ -\frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{4}{3}x^2 + x \right]_{-\frac{1}{3}}^3$$

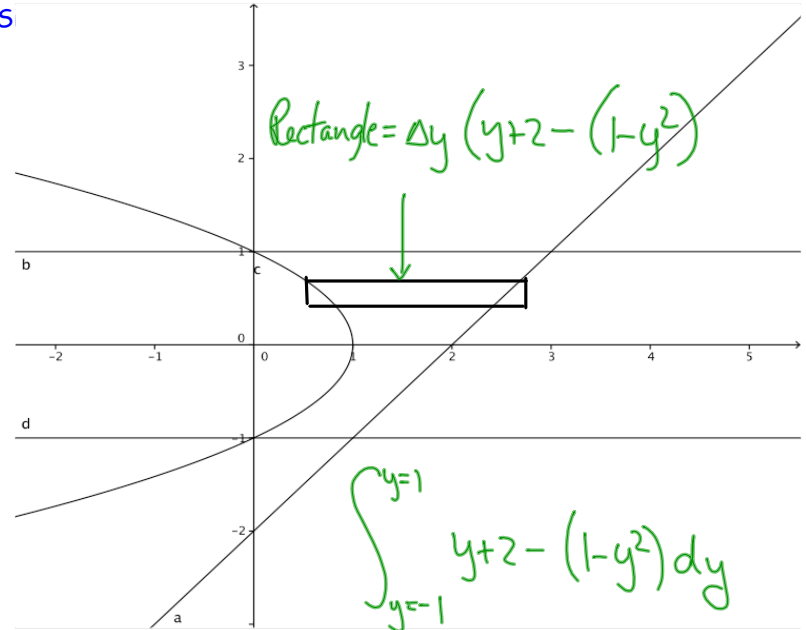
$$\left( -\frac{1}{3}(3)^3 + \frac{4}{3}(3)^2 + 3 \right) - \left( -\frac{1}{3}\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 + \frac{4}{3}\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) \right)$$

On the AP exam, you can stop here

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